

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Examiner is thanked for his thorough examination of the application. Examiner's allowance of all claims, subject to the corrections detailed below, is noted with thanks.

FIGs. 1a and 1b should, as examiner has pointed out, have been designated as 'prior art'. This has been corrected and an amended sheet of drawings attached.

Reconsideration is requested of the objection to claim 4 because of an informality:

The character ">" has been replaced by a period. Examiner is thanked for spotting this.

Reconsideration is requested of the rejection of claims 1, 7, and 14 under 35 USC 112 on the grounds that the limitation "at least one micro-channel being connected to each of these depressions" (which was added as part of our previous response) is not supported by the specification. Said limitation has now been deleted from these claims.

In light of the amendments to claims 1, 7, and 14, as noted immediately above, reconsideration is requested of the rejection of all remaining claims under 35 USC 112 on the grounds that they were dependent on rejected claims

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Amdt. dated 06/12/2007
Reply to Office action of 06/04/2007

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance now be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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